



AZA AC/GC TAG Antelope, Cattle, Giraffid and Camelid TAG

Planned SSP Changes Potential Impact and Planning



APM Guidance on 15 AZA Member Future Standard for SSPs

The first SSP criterion for TAGs to **strongly consider** is that "animal populations held at fewer than 15 AZA-accredited and/or certified-related facilities (hereafter referred to as 'AZA facilities') will no longer be SSPs." TAGs managing SSPs that are held at fewer than 15 AZA facilities should consider downgrading these programs to "Monitor" status. If a population is currently at 13 or 14 AZA facilities at the time the RCP is being prepared, the TAG could justify why the program should remain an SSP at this time. These justifications could include demonstrating that the historic number of holders of the species has reached or exceeded 15 facilities, commitments from facilities that plan to house the species in the next three years in exhibits that are in construction or design, or other factors. For populations housed at 15 or more AZA facilities, the TAG can continue to manage these as SSP's as long as they meet any other new criteria (like > 50% of population within AZA). The TAG does not need to manage all species that are at more than 15 facilities; however, TAGs are strongly encouraged to look at currently unmanaged species that are widely distributed in AZA facilities and help to monitor the availability from ethical, responsible, and sustainable sources. The APM Committee encourages TAGs to maintain unofficial studbooks for the programs that no longer qualify to be an SSP as they may increase to the 15 AZA facility requirement in the future.

Likely to Qualify as SSPs Moving Forward 15+ Current AZA Holders (13 Species)

Woodland Antelope Subgroup (5 species)

- Common Eland Currently Yellow SSP 20 AZA
- Eastern Bongo Currently Yellow SSP 36 AZA
- Greater Kudu Currently Yellow SSP 26 AZA
- Lowland Nyala Currently Yellow SSP 18 AZA
- Common Wildebeest Currently Yellow SSP 20 AZA

Aridland Antelope Subgroup (3 species)

- Addax Currently Yellow SSP 24 AZA
- Scimitar-horned Oryx Currently Yellow SSP 18 AZA
- Addra gazelle Currently Yellow SSP 18 AZA

Giraffid Subgroup (3 species)

- Generic Giraffe Currently Green SSP 82 AZA
- Masai Giraffe Currently Yellow SSP 34 AZA
- Okapi Currently Yellow SSP 29 AZA

Small Antelope Subgroup (1 species)

Yellow-backed Duiker – Currently Yellow SSP 25 AZA

Wild Cattle and Camelid Subgroup (1 species)

Plains Bison – Currently Candidate Program 33 AZA







On The Bubble 13-14 AZA Holders (3 Species)



- Lesser Kudu Currently Yellow SSP 14 AZA
- Bontebok Currently Red SSP 14 AZA
- Blue Duiker Currently Red SSP 13 AZA



Current SSP That Will Not Qualify as SSPs 12 Or Fewer AZA Holders (19 Species)

- Sable Antelope Currently Yellow SSP 12 AZA
- Roan antelope Currently Yellow SSP 7 AZA
- Sitatunga Currently Yellow SSP 10 AZA
- Nile Lechwe Currently Yellow SSP 7 AZA
- Common Waterbuck Currently Yellow SSP 12 AZA
- Impala Currently Yellow SSP 12 AZA
- Arabian Oryx –Currently Yellow SSP 7 AZA
- Gemsbok Currently Yellow SSP 6 AZA
- Thomson's Gazelle Currently Yellow SSP 12 AZA
- Slender-horned Gazelle Curently Yellow SSP 9 AZA
- Speke's Gazelle Currently Yellow SSP 10 AZA
- South African Springbok Currently Yellow SSP 7 AZA
- Nubian Soemmerring's Gazelle Currently Red SSP 5 AZA
- Peninsular Pronghorn Currently Red SSP 6 AZA
- Gerenuk Currently Red SSP 9 AZA
- Klipspringer Currently Red SSP 9 AZA
- Red-flanked Duiker Currently Red SSP 12 AZA
- Banteng Currently Red SSP/GSMP 5 AZA
- Anoa Currently Red SSP/GSMP 7 AZA





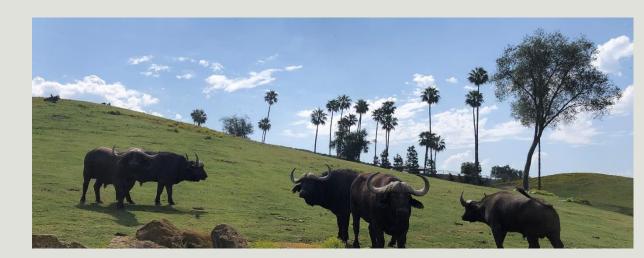


Currently and Continuing as Monitored Populations



This list will grow when SSPs get downgraded

- Giant eland
- Steenbok
- Fringe-eared oryx
- Grant's gazelle
- American pronghorn
- Blackbuck
- African savannah buffalo
- Guanaco
- Bactrian camel (Domestic)



Antelope, Cattle, Giraffid and Camelid TAG Programs Potentially After New Rule



- 13 SSPs (+3 bubble species with 13-14 AZA Institutions?)
- 28 Monitored Species or Consortium Species



What will the TAG do with SSPs that are downgraded?

- Currently they would fall to Monitored status.
- The TAG has been discussing this scenario.
- Each species will have to be looked at on a case by case basis.
- We would ask for studbooks to continue to be kept as unofficial studbooks.
- We would contact all holding institutions to gauge their commitment to the species moving forward and their desire to work with the TAG to continue to manage these species outside of the SSP model.
- Ungulate TAG leadership plan to develop these potential models together to share best practices and develop consistent methods and standards.

